SILVER MATNES

Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.





News

News Briefs

Enlisted promotions

The July enlisted promotion ceremony is at 3:30 p.m. today at the community center.

AETC Family Day

Gen. William Looney, commander of Air Education and Training Command, has designated Monday as a Family Day. For questions regarding civilian personnel policy, call Bob Sims at Ext.

Testing cancelled

The Education Services Flight will not conduct CLEP, DANTES, PME, CDC or Distance Learning testing Monday through Friday. Students are encouraged to plan testing needs accordingly. Call Ext. 2562.

Holiday hours of operation

The commissary will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday. All Army and Air Force Exchange Service facilities will be closed, except the shoppette, which will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. All activities will operate regular hours Monday, except for Robin Hood, which will be closed both Monday and Tuesday.

Runway opening

The center runway, 13C/31C, will open July 10. People must have direct radio contact with the air traffic control tower and a valid flightline drivers license to operate a vehicle on or across the runway. For more information, call Ext. 2996 or Ext.

Education assessment survey

Today is the last day to participate in the Education Needs Assessment Survey, conducted by the Education Services Flight. This survey is critical to request new off-duty voluntary education programs at Columbus AFB. To access the survey online, visit https://afvec.langley.af.mil/Pages /home.aspx. Select "Take the Survey" under needs assessment on the left side of the Web page. This survey consists of 10 questions and should be completed in two minutes or less.

Fireworks on the Water

BLAZE TEAM celebrates July 4 at Columbus lock & dam

Columbus AFB and the Columbus Marina will host "Fireworks on the Water" at 4 p.m. July 4 at the east bank of the Stennis Lock and Dam in downtown Columbus.

The free event is open to the public and will feature live entertainment, as well as activities for children, a lighted boat parade, food and drink vendors. The day will conclude with a professional firework display choreographed to music.

"Fireworks on the Water' will be a great event to celebrate the nation's 230th birthday," said Col. Dave Gerber, 14th Flying Training Wing commander. "Columbus AFB invites all members of the community to the event to celebrate this patriotic holiday."

The activities will begin at 4 p.m., and live entertainment will begin at 5 p.m. Inflatable jumpers and face painting will also be available for children. The fireworks display will commence shortly after dark.

"Columbus AFB has hosted 4th of July events on base in the past," said Rick Johnson, 14th FTW Public Affairs chief. "But because of runway construction, this year's event will occur off base at the lock and



Due to runway construction, the BLAZE TEAM will celebrate Independence Day off base with the Columbus community at the east bank of the Stennis Lock and Dam July 4. "Fireworks on the Water" begins at 4 p.m. and is a free event open to the public.

music and a fantastic firework any group that arrives via bus. show," said Chuck Bigelow, co-sponsor and owner of the Columbus Marina. "Vendors will offer a wide variety of food and beverages, rang- works, including sparklers, are also ing from catfish and barbecue to prohibited. For questions or more snow cones and funnel cakes."

encouraged to carpool to the event. "We'll have a great line up of A parking area has been reserved for The community is encouraged to

bring blankets and lawn chairs. Pets are not allowed, and personal fireinformation, call the public affairs Due to limited parking, people are office at Ext. 7068. (Courtesy of the 14th Flying Training Wing Public

COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

Phase II			Phase III				Wing Sortie Board				
	Senior	Squadron			Senior	Squadron		Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual
Squadron	Class	Överall	Track Select	Squadron	Class	Överall	Graduation	T-37	2,862	3,074	24,083
37th (07-06)	-1.78 days	0.10 days	Aug. 10	48th (06-11)	0 days	-0.01 days	Today	T-38C	1,295	1,332	10,712
41st (07-05)	5.52 days	1.88 days	July 20	50th (06-11)	2.00 days	1.38 days	Today	T-1A	1,096	1,163	10,223
Graduation speaker: Maj. Gen. (Retired) Edward "Buster" Ellis, former 19th Air Force commander											

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Utilities funding shortfall to cause base-wide challenge

14th Civil Engineer Squadron

In order to pay the bills and ensure that the utilities are not turned off, the BLAZE Team must immediately reduce its energy consumption and/or make other cuts in spending.

Air Education and Training Command currently has a funding shortfall of \$15 to \$20 million throughout the command, and no additional funds are expected from Air

Columbus AFB's utilities funding shortfall for this fiscal year is estimated to be \$250,000.

This shortfall could also eliminate funds that would have been used for projects and small purchases that are included on the base's end-of-year wish

Since the base's utility bills for the fourth quarter (July through September) are estimated to total \$775,000, the community must trim about 25 percent of its utility use this summer to avoid siphoning funds from other areas on base.

Here are some suggestions on how thermostats down to 100 degrees. to meet this challenge:

* For military family housing residents and those with facility air conditioners not on the base's energy management and control system, adjust the thermostats to 78 degrees for the summer-time and use fans to make it feel cooler, which will save 8 to 12 percent. In addition, adjust the thermostat to

Utilities Cost Percentage **■** Electricity ■ Natural Gas 25% Water ■ Waste Water

* These percentages include military family housing utilities

Columbus AFB

80 to 85 degrees when the building is or use them only when in the bath-

going to be unoccupied

* Turn base housing water heater

* Turn off lights when not in use or not needed. This includes turning off lights when leaving a room, leaving lights off when there's sufficient natural lighting and only using outside lights from dusk until 11 p.m.

fans with accessible switches are

* Minimize all grass watering operations, and water no more than once every three days. Over watering not only wastes water, but can cause temporary or permanent damage to lawns and landscape materials.

* Follow energy conservation suggestions in the base Energy * Make sure all bathroom exhaust Conservation Program Pamphlet (CAFBPAM 23-301), available on the turned off at the end of the duty day base intranet at https://columbusweb.

selects

The 14th Flying Training Wing congratulates the following officers on their selection for lieutenant

Jeffrey Granger, 14th Communications Squadron Keith Kenne, 14th Contracting Squadron Edward Lucas, 14th FTW Legal Office

members are deployed worldwide.



14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED As of press time, 45 BLAZE TEAM Remember to support the troops and

ID theft. VA data compromise reminds community to remain alert

Your personal information is used by various organi- account, send the card issuer a letter questioning the zations everyday to enhance your freedoms and opportu- charges immediately. Send the letter certified mail and nities, but it can also be an area of vulnerability.

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In May of 2006, the Department of Veterans Affairs reported the theft of a personal computer containing agency. Obtain a copy of the report and keep it in your identifying information of 26.5 million past and present files. military servicemembers.

As a result, nearly 2.2 million active-duty and reservist personnel, as well as any veteran discharged after 1975, may be at risk for identity theft.

very real threat to every member of the BLAZE TEAM.

As demonstrated by the compromise of VA data, it is impossible to ensure that your personal information will always be secure. If you suspect that your identity has mize your liability:

* Place an Initial Fraud Alert on your credit report by Information on VA Data Security." calling each of the credit reporting agencies. This alert will last for 90 days on your credit report and will require a creditor to independently verify your identity. If you are sure you have been victimized, you can request that an extended alert be placed on your report that will last up to seven years. When placing an alert on your file, you are entitled to a free copy of your credit report; so be sure to ask for one.

* Immediately close any accounts that were fraudulently opened or that have been compromised.

* If you notice an unauthorized charge on a credit Wing Legal Office)

request a return receipt.

* File a police report with your local law enforcement

* File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission by visiting www.consumer.gov/idtheft or by calling (877) ID-THEFT (438-4338).

* Consider hiring a credit monitoring service. If you Even without such circumstance, identify theft is a were one of the service members affected by the Veterans Affairs compromise, they will provide you with credit monitoring for free for one year. You will be notified by mail if you are eligible for this reparation.

For more information about the compromise of the been stolen, you can take the following steps to mini- Department of Veterans Affairs data, visit http://www.firstgov.gov and click on "Latest

To place an alert on or obtain a free copy of your credit report, contact:

Experian: 888-397-3742; www.experian.com TransUnion: 800-680-7289; www.transunion.com

Equifax: 877-576-5734; www.equifax.com

If you need further assistance you can also contact the legal office and arrange for a legal assistance appointment at DSN 742-7030 or Ext. 7030. Assistance appointments are from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays. (Courtesy of the 14th Flying Training

Other Tips for Preventing Identity Theft:

NEVER give out personal information in response to unsolicited communication. Give out your Social Security number only when absolutely necessary and ask to use other identifiers when possible

* Shred any documents that contain personal information including credit card receipts, insurance forms, physician and bank statements and pre-screened offers of credit.

* Review your credit card and bank account statements carefully. This is usually the first place unauthorized activity will show up.

* Place an "Active Duty Alert" on your credit report if you will be away from your usual duty station. This requires creditors to verify your identity before extending credit in your name and excludes you from eligibility for prescreened offers of credit or insurance. An active duty alert will be maintained in your credit file for one year and can be placed on your file by calling any of the three credit reporting agencies.

* Request a copy of your credit report on a regular basis. You are entitled by law to obtain a free copy of your report once per calendar year by visiting www.annualcreditreport.com or by calling (877) 322-8228.

AF style birthday

Airman 1st Class Dylan Smith, 14th Operations Support Squadron, and his wife Ashley smile for the camera at last year's Air Force Ball. "Proud Heritage...BLAZEina Future!" Columbus AFB will celebrate the Air Force's 59th birthday Sept. 22 at the Trotter Convention Center. The planning committee has begun organizing the event and is soliciting ideas for a 2006 Air Force Ball theme. Now through July 7, BLAZE TEAM members are encouraged to submit ideas to colin.burchfield@columbus.af.mil. Based on the community's response, the committee will determine the theme at a later date.

SGLI premium rate changes Saturday

ber's Group Life Insurance increases not by servicemembers. by 5 cents per month for each \$10,000 of coverage, from 65 cents per month per \$10,000 to 70 cents per month per \$400,000 of SGLI coverage will \$10,000, effective Saturday.

The most recent SGLI premium for basic SGLI was reduced from effect Dec. 1 and provides pay-80 cents per \$10,000 of insurance ments of up to \$100,000 for serito 65 cents per \$10,000. That ous traumatic injuries. change was made to reduce surplus reserve funds in the program.

the cost of peacetime claims. The family SGLI program.

WASHINGTON — The monthly cost of wartime SGLI claims is premium rate for basic Servicemem- borne by the uniformed services,

As a result of this increase, members who have the maximum see their monthly SGLI deduction On the same date, family SGLI from service pay increase by \$2 a premiums will decrease across the month, from \$27 to \$29, beginning with their July pay. This monthly SGLI premium includes a \$1 per change occurred in July 2003, month charge for traumatic injury when the monthly premium rate protection coverage, which took

Also in July, family SGLI monthly premium rates will be reduced A small increase in the SGLI for all age groups by an average of premium rate is now necessary for 10 percent. The new rates reflect the program to remain in sound better-than-expected claims expefinancial condition, while covering rience for each age group in the VIEWPOINT SILVER WINGS 5

Chaplain offers 7 ways to thrive on chaos

Chaplain (Lt. Col) Joseph Vu 14th Flyina Trainina Wina

olumbus AFB is undergoing major changes this summer. The front page of the last Silver ceremonies for the upcoming week. There were many other changes of leadership since the departure of Col. Stephen Wilson and the arrival of Col. Dave Gerber; and there will be many other changes coming our way. This scenario requires us to adapt in order to meet new chal-

Tom Peters published his book "Thrive on Chaos" 20 years ago to help people meet new challenges in life with success. His insights are still applicable today. His other book, "Passion for Excellence," repeated these insights in different words. Peters basically manifested that we need to learn to love change and thrive on chaos.

As Columbus AFB and the rest of the world continue to face new challenges, I would like to share with you what I have learned from Tom Peters, among others, and from my personal reflection in life.

My 20 years of active-duty service in the Air Force and more than 50 years of life have emphasized seven areas that contribute to our life satisfaction and, in turn, help us thrive on chaos. These seven areas are of equal value. Lacking in one or any of these areas will diminish our life's reward. Here are these seven points:

1. Accomplish something everyday. When we accom-

plish something, we experience a sense of success. As success builds on success, each accomplishment in life becomes a brick for use to build our better future.

2. Remain open to learning new things. When we learn new things, we become a richer and better person. Failure to learn will prevent us from staying on the leading edge of life. Learning new things will help us feel better about ourselves and thus contribute to happiness in life.

3. Stay physically fit. Illness will dampen our enjoyment of life. Eating a well balanced diet, having plenty (or at least adequate) rest and maintaining regular physical exercise are ways to keep our bodies physically strong.

4. Keep your spiritual health strong. The spirit — or the soul — is the inner side of our body. Our spiritual strength depends greatly on our connection with God through prayer. Reading a good book, seeking advice from a spiritual leader and avoiding sins or negative influences are ways to keep us spiritually strong.

5. Maintain a healthy support system. A good support system will enable us to cope with on-going challenges in life. Burn-out syndrome is the sign of a depleting support system. The key to maintaining a healthy system is in the mutuality of the support. We must ensure that our support system, such as our family, friends and coworkers, receive adequate support so the effort will be reciprocated

6. Keep your environment clean. The air we breathe, ground we walk on, home we live in and workplace we share greatly contribute to a healthy living environment. If

we trash our place, we will degrade our environment. Each person should be tentative to keeping our environment clean so that we can continue to enjoy the living space that we share with one another.

7. Stop resisting change. This is an area that we often fail to recognize and, in turn, it negatively affects our overall success in life. The formula of success is to come up with an equal response to a present problem. Maintaining the status quo is refusing to deal with present issues, like someone who bangs his head against the wall instead of looking for a way to overcome an obstacle. The more we resist change, the more difficult life will become for us.

I have used these seven points to help people assess their state of life and find ways to enhance their happiness. I have asked my clients to rate these seven areas on a scale from one to 10, with 10 as the highest score; then add all these numbers and divide by seven to reveal a "scale" of their life satisfaction.

I suggest the following: a happy person has 8 or more points; an average person has 6 to 7 points; a borderline depressed person has 5 points; and those with fewer points are most likely very dissatisfied with their lives.

I hope my suggestion will help you thrive on chaos and be successful in our next chapter at Columbus AFB.

Editor's note: There are a number of base agencies available to help BLAZE TEAM cope with chaos. For more information, call the chapel at Ext. 2500, the Life Skills Support Center at Ext. 2239 or the Airman and Family Readiness

Air Force leaders send 4th of July message

(Editor's note: The following is an Independence Day message from Secretary of the Air Force Michael Wynne and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael Moseley.)

Happy Birthday, America! For 230 years, this nation and its people have represented freedom and democracy. We earned that reputation through courageous acts of patriotism by our founding fathers and through bravery on battlefields across the world. Today we mark not a resounding victory in a great battle, but instead the day when we stood up as a free and independent nation and told the world we would no longer live under tyrannical rule.

This year, as you gather to celebrate the founding of our great nation, pause a moment to remember our heroes currently serving away from home, fighting to preserve the very same freedoms the patriots before us secured. Their efforts are helping us soar to a future bounded by limitless horizons.

You, the men and women of America's Air Force, reflect the generations of patriots who, through their actions, displayed the values of integrity first, service before self and excellence in all we do. Thank you for your unyielding commitment, and have a happy and safe 4th of July!

Energy conservation Everyone can contribute

4th Civil Engineer Squadron

SEYMOUR JOHNSON AFB, N.C. —

Simple practices can produce a positive impact on the electrical consumption on any base. A joint effort at all Air Force bases, both in family housing and in duty sections, plays an enormous role in what the base pays for electricity

Here are some ways that will help reduce electrical usage, thus reducing electrical demand and saving money.

- Make sure the air filter in the air conditioner is changed monthly. A dirty filter can cause your air conditioning unit to lose 30 percent of its efficiency. A clean filter will increase air flow throughout your house, thus cooling it
- Use fans to move air; the simple movement of air can make a room feel cooler

- Adjust drapes, blinds or shades to prevent sunlight from heating your house or office.
- If possible, keep lights low or off. Electric lights generate heat.
- Make sure heat-producing equipment such as computers or coffee makers are not located near thermostats. Heat from these appliances causes the air conditioner to run
- Ensure coffee pots are not left on after
- Use bathroom fans to remove moisture
- Use microwave ovens instead of conventional ovens; they produce less heat.
- In most parts of the country, the electrical peak hours during the summer are from noon until 6 p.m. If possible, laundry, showers and other tasks that use large appliances and hot water should be performed before or after

Straight Talk Line The Straight Talk Line is your direct line to the commander for comments and suggestions on how to make Columbus AFB better. The Straight Talk Line phone number is 434-7058. Callers should leave their full name and phone number to receive an answer. All names are kept confidential. Written questions may be dropped off

at the public affairs office in the wing headquarters building, Bldg. 724. Questions and answers will be edited for brevity.

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Summer programs provide recreational family fun

Crafts classes: The arts and crafts center's upcoming craft classes feature seasonal projects. Adult classes are at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Upcoming classes include how to make a USA door hanging, mosaic bird bath and clay saucer coasters.

The youth classes are offered Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Upcoming classes include how to make magnetic bug clips, a can cooler, travel tic tac toe and a decorative chalk board.

A display of all projects is available in the arts and crafts lobby. Participants must register at least four days prior to the class date. Call Ext. 7836 for more information.

Family fun night and pool party: The Columbus Club offers a pool party from 5:30 to 8 p.m. July 13. Cost is \$6.95 for members and \$9.95 for nonmembers. Cost for ages 6 to 12 is \$3.95 for members and \$5.95 for nonmembers. Ages 5 and younger eat for free. The menu includes grilled cheese, french fries, hot dogs, chips and salad. Call Ext. 2490 for more informa-

Cheerleading spirit camp: The youth center offers this camp for ages 6 to 18 July 17 to 21. Two sessions are available: 8 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 per child or \$40 for both sessions. Each program participant will receive 15 hours of instruction, a T-shirt, certificate of course completion and the opportunity to provide feedback on the program. Call Ext. 2504 for more information.

make a CD storage rack at 10 a.m. or 6 p.m. may submit entries to the Services director.

July 13. Cost is \$25 and includes all sup- For more information, call Ext. 2490 or plies. Participants must register and pay by visit www.cafbservices.com/clubs for entry July 7 at the center. Call Ext. 7836 for forms, rules and eligibility criteria.

Club scholarship program: The deadline to turn in entries for a chance at Home decor workshop: The arts and \$25,000 in club scholarships is July 14. crafts center offers a course on how to Club members and their family members

Parents day out: The child development

center and youth center offer Parents Day Out from from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 15. Cost is \$3 per hour per child. Parents must register their children by July 12. Call the information.

Youth science camp: The youth center offers this camp for ages 7 to 12 from 9 a.m. to noon July 24 to July 28. Campers will have an opportunity to experience science through fun and exciting activities. Camp is free; however, spaces are limited and registration is based on first come, first served. Call Ext. 2504 for more information.

Champagne brunch: The Columbus Club offers an all-ranks brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. July 16. Cost is \$9.95 for members and \$12.95 for nonmembers. Cost for ages 6 to 12 is \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers. Ages 5 and younger eat for free. Call Ext. 2490 for more information.

Base children perform a variety of soccer drills during the British Soccer Camp last week at the youth center. Upcoming camps offered at the youth center include a cheerleading camp July 17 through July 21 and a science camp July 24 through July 28. For more information, call the center at Ext. 2504. Collection Expo: The youth center invites all young collectors, ages 9 to 18, to share their trading cards, rocks,

stamps, stuffed animals and other collections at the Collection Expo from 2 to 4 p.m. July 29. For more information, call Ext. 2504. **Summer day camp:** The youth center

child development center at Ext. 2478 or offers this program for youth who have the youth center at Ext. 2504 for more completed kindergarten through sixth grades. Camp is offered from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Cost is based on total family income. Activities include swimming, field trips, arts and crafts, sports and more. Call Ext. 2504 for more information.

> Bowling center special: The bowling center offers 50-cent bowling all day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during the summer. Patrons who purchase a combo meal from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. can bowl for 50 cents a game with free shoe rental. Call Ext. 2426.

> Oil change special: The auto hobby shop offers an oil change and tire rotation for \$26. Customers can add a tire balance for a total of \$40. Call Ext. 7842.

Services Holiday Hours

	July 2	July 3	July 4
Bowling Center	11 a.m-6 p.m.	11 a.m-6 p.m.	Closed
Fitness Center	8 a.m-8 p.m.	10 a.m-6 p.m.	10 a.m6 p.m
Golf Course	7 a.m-Dusk	7 a.m-Dusk	7 a.m-Dusk
Library	1-5 p.m.	Closed	Closed
Swimming Pool	Noon-7 p.m.	Noon-7 p.m.	Noon-4 p.m.
Outdoor Rec	Closed	9 a.m-1 p.m.	Closed
Magnolia Inn		Open 24/7	

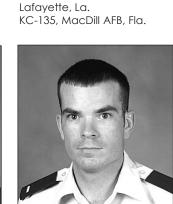
^{*} All other Services activities are closed. For more information, call Ext. 2337.

SUPT Class 06-11 earns silver wings





Capt. Jason Bachelor Niceville, Fla. KC-10, Travis AFB, Calif.

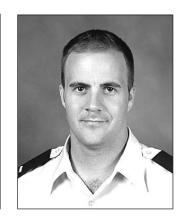


1st Lt. Brian Mead Birmingham, Ala. F-15C, Tyndall AFB, Fla.

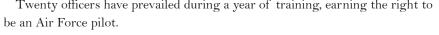


Capt. Matthew Patton 1st Lt. Cesar Flor Benitez Coronel Oviedo, Paraguay T-35 Pillan, Concepcion, Paraguay

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2nd Lt. Trevor Butler 2nd Lt. Jeffery Cochran Apple Valley, Calif. Houston, Texas (AFRC) C-17, Travis AFB, Calif. KC-10, Travis AFB, Calif



today during a ceremony at the Columbus Club.

The graduation speaker is Maj. Gen. (Ret) Edward Ellis, former 19th Air Force commander, Randolph AFB, Texas. He was responsible for the day-to-day training of about 2,000 U.S. and allied students, ranging from entry-level flying training through advanced combat crew training.

Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

Second Lts. Brian Mead, T-38, and Jeff Morgenthau, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Brandon Loosli, T-38, and Capt. Jason Bachelor, T-1. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

Lieutenants Mead and Morgenthau were named distinguished graduates.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for

The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the twin-engine, subsonic T-37 Tweet. Some complete this phase in the single-engine, turboprop Mall.)

Twenty officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the right to T-6A Texan 2 at Moody AFB, Ga. Students learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 06-11 graduates at 9 a.m. formation flying. Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

> Primary training takes about 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 flying hours.

After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or airlift-tanker track.

Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38 Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground events, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 flying hours.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place business jet.

Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground

training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 flying hours.

The class reunites on graduation day, when students receive the aeronautical rating of pilot and begin their careers as U.S. Air Force pilots. (Editor's note: The class' pilot partners are U.S. Grounds Maintenance and GNC Leigh



T-38C Talon

1st Lt. Ryan Burns Treadwell, N.Y. C-17, Travis AFB, Calif



1st Lt. Adam Flaherty New Milford, Conn. T-37, Columbus AFB, Miss.



1st Lt. Ryan Green Spokane, Wash. E-3, Tinker AFB, Okla.



2nd Lt. William Davis Meridian, Miss C-17, Charleston AFB, S.C.



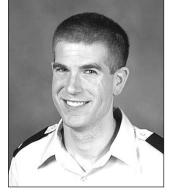
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2nd Lt. Yefferson Vera Escobar Villavicencio, Colombia T-37C, Palanquero, Colombia



2nd Lt. Michael Hirata Fort Collins, Colo. (AFRC) KC-10, McGuire AFB, N.J.



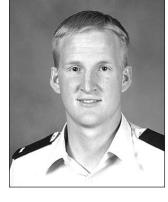
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2nd Lt. Brandon Morgan Meadville, Mo. (ANG) C-130, Peoria, III.



2nd Lt. Jeffrey Morgenthau Keene, N.H. (ANG) KC-135, Pease ANGB, N.H.



2nd Lt. Ryan Nelson Riaby Idaho T-1, Columbus AFB, Miss.



2nd Lt. James Nicholas Kenosha, Wis T-38, Columbus AFB, Miss.



2nd Lt. Sean Powers University City, Mo. C-17, McChord AFB, Wash.



2nd Lt. Andrew Thimgan Lincoln, Neb. (ANG) KC-135, Lincoln, Neb.

COMMUNITY

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When life hands you lemons...



July 18 at the Columbus Club.

and prizes begins at 4:30 p.m.

community during this event.

CMSD registration

Registration for the returned service-

members begins at 3:45 p.m.; a reunion

and reintegration briefing for these mili-

tary members and their spouses begins at

4 p.m.; and a celebration with food, drinks

chapel at Ext. 2500 by July 11 to sign up,

from their deployment to share with the

On-base residents with children attend-

ing the Columbus Municipal School

District for the 2006-2007 school year can

6:30 p.m. July 24 at the Services Commu-

Families must have one proof of on-

base housing residency upon registering.

Cody Day, 10, and Taylor Flake, 12, beat the summer heat with a cup of cold lemonade. Remember to hydrate often, especially during the summer months.

Base Notes

EMCC pre-registration

East Mississippi Community College fall 2006 pre-registration and orientation is from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. July 14 at the EMCC office in Building 916. People will have the opportunity to meet with an academic advisor and sign up early for both distance learning and on- base classes for fall 2006. Classes begin August 17. For questions or more information, call Ext. 2660 or e-mail rsanders@eastms.edu or jnewton@eastms.edu.

Welcome Home event

All BLAZE TEAM members are invited to show their appreciation for the most recently returned deployed servicemembers at the 14th Flying Training Wing Welcome Home celebration at 4:30 p.m. If new to the district, they must also tour an aircraft static display. Registration Ext. 2500.

Compliance Form (from the 14th Medical Group), a certified birth certificate and previous school records. Children in kindergarten through

fourth grades must have participated in the lottery and have an assigned seat. Those who have not participated in the lottery must report to Brandon Central Services Center located at 2630 McArthur Drive (next to K-Mart) to apply for a seat.

Children in fifth through twelfth grades must be new students or previously enrolled in the CMSD.

New students in seventh through twelfth grades must visit their gaining school upon arrival to Columbus to select a course schedule prior to registering, if possible. For more information, call 241-

Civilian tuition assistance

The Air Force will fund mission-related college courses for full-time appropriated fund civilian personnel employed at Columbus AFB. To use CivTA, the program must be recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, voluntary and off-duty. For details or eligibility information, call Ext. 2562.

Hiring for C-5 conversion

The 167th Airlift Wing in Martinsburg, W.V., is in the process of transitioning from a C-130 unit to a C-5 unit and hiring for many new full-time positions. For more information, call (800) 253-5674 or visit www.wvmart.ang.af.mil.

Airmen and Family

(Editor's note: All activities are offered at the Airman and Family Readiness Center, formerly known as the Family Support Center, unless otherwise specified. For more information about any of the activities listed, call Returned servicemembers must call the Ext. 2790.)

and are encouraged to bring memorabilia Personnel Deployment Function Junior is from 7:45 to 11 a.m. July 26. This free program is open to children, ages 6 to 12, of active-duty military members or civilians. Ages 10 and younger must be accompanied by an adult older than 18 years. Participants will get to meet the register their children from 4:30 to wing commander, receive IDs and dog tags through a processing line, learn about safety at deployed locations, explore a mobility bag, witness a communications and working dog demonstrations and

bring a Mississippi Immunization is limited. To sign up, call Ext. 2790 by 4 p.m. July 20.

Job skills identification

A workshop on how to identify job skills to include on a resume is from 9 to

Smooth move

A workshop for relocating families is from 2 to 4 p.m. July 10. Participants will learn what to expect from the travel management office, housing, military pay, legal, billeting, Tricare and the family

TAP workshop

A transition assistance workshop for personnel who are within one year of retirement or separation from the military is from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. July 11 through July 13.

Government applications

A workshop on federal employment and the Small Business Administration is from 3:10 to 4:05 p.m. July 13.

Local employment

A workshop about employment opportunities with local businesses, the 14th Services Division and government applications is at 1 p.m. every Wednesday. Resumes and other job applications will also be discussed.

Chapel Schedule

Catholic

Sunday:

8:15 to 8:45 a.m. — Confessions

9:15 a.m. — Mass

4:30 to 5 p.m. — Confessions

5:30 p.m. — SUPT Mass

Wednesday:

11:30 a.m. — Mass

Thursday:

6 p.m. — Choir practice

Protestant

9 a.m. -- Adult Sunday School 10:45 a.m. -- Traditional worship service at the chapel with a fellowship luncheon every fourth Sunday of the month Thursday:

5:30 p.m. — Choir practice

For more information on Bible studies and other programs, call the chapel at

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July 21 through July 23 at Humphrey Coliseum at the Mississippi State University Campus in Starkville, Miss. The event features an all-access preshow party available to ticket holders at no extra charge. Participants will have the opportunity to mingle with performers, learn about the animals from experts, receive autographs and even watch an Red Flag, the final phase before pilots are sent into actual

Discounted performances are at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. July 22; and at 2 p.m. July 23. Tickets are \$29 for VIP floor seats, \$19 for first price level and \$14 for second price level. Military personnel and their family members receive a \$5 discount. Tickets can be purchased in person from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Mississippi State Athletic Ticket Office in Bryan Building on Lakeview Road (adjacent to the Humphrey Coliseum).

Tickets are issued for the best available seats at the time of purchase, on a first come-first served basis. Discounts are not available on VIP floor seats and cannot be combined. Children who have reached their second birthday require a ticket. Full price tickets are available at the Humphrey Coliseum or www.ticketweb.com. Tickets can be purchased the day of the show at the Humphrey Coliseum Gameday ticket office. For group discount information, call Dixieland Group Tickets at (888) 770-1876 or e-mail dixiegroups

Circus: The Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey circus is @bellsouth.net. For more information, visit www.ringling.com.

AROUND TOWN

IMAX Theatre: The McWane Center IMAX Theatre in Birmingham, Ala., features Fighter Pilot-Operation Red Flag. Spectators will follow a young F-15 fighter pilot through combat, and receive a rare view into the teamwork and dangers of military flight training. For more information, call (205) 714-8300 or visit www.McWane.org.

Memphis Farmers Market: The Memphis Farmers Market will showcase locally grown fresh produce, related products and music from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in Memphis, Tenn. For more information, call (901) 575-0592.

Clairborne County 4th Annual Blues & Cruise Thru **History:** This event will feature entertainment and competition for motorcycle enthusiasts today and Saturday in Port Gibson, Miss. Today's activities include live music and fireworks; and a poker run, bike show, bike games, a burnout contest and live Blues music is scheduled for Saturday. For more information, call (601) 437-3461.

Soul Saturday dinner cruise: Participants can spend a e-mail FSC@columbus.af.mil.

relaxing evening enjoying soul music in a historic boat on the Mississippi River Saturday in Memphis, Tenn. For more information, call (901) 527-5694.

Children's Fishing Rodeo: The lake will be stocked with more than 1,500 pounds of catfish for ages 12 and younger Saturday in Memphis, Tenn. Prizes will be awarded for the biggest fish and heaviest string of fish by age categories. For more information, call (901) 385-5589.

Eden's Fourth of July Rodeo: This even will feature a

U.S. Cowboy Tour with calf roping, team roping, barrel

racing, bareback riding, Brahma bullriding, steer wrestling and specialty acts Saturday and Sunday in Okolona, Miss. For more information, call (662) 447-5474. Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo: This offi-

cial state fishing rodeo offers freshwater, saltwater and river water categories Saturday through Tuesday in Gulfport, Miss. For more information, call (228) 863-2713 or visit

For more information about area events, contact the Airman and Family Readiness Center at Ext. 2790 or

BARGAIN LINE

Bargain Line advertisement

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Bargain Line advertisements must be turned in to the Silver Wings office in the 14th Flying Training Wing headquarters buildi								
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The Bargain Line is free for all military members (including guard and reserve members), DOD civilians, military retirees, family mem-

HEALTH & LEISURE

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Pounds takes 2nd at track, field champs

INDIANAPOLIS — With a throw of 183 feet, 9 inches, a recent U.S. Air Force Academy graduate concluded her collegiate career with a second-place showing at the U.S. Track and Field Championships June 23 in Indianapolis.

Finishing second out of 17 athletes, Dana Pounds posted the best throw by a collegiate athlete and outdistanced the third-place finisher by more than 12 feet.

The newly commissioned second lieutenant opened the rotation with a throw of 172 feet, 7 inches, before recording near-matching distances of 169 feet, 4 inches and 169 feet, 11 inches.

As one of eight contenders to advance to the next round, Pounds tallied a toss of 170 feet, 5 inches, before posting the second-best throw of the night at 183 feet, 9 inches.

She closed out the evening with 164 feet, 7 inches, and was one of three athletes to successfully complete all eight attempts.

Hard hitter



Senior Airman Cecilia Rodriaue

Rodriquez Smith, 14th Communications Squadron, knocks one to the outfield to help his intramural softball team earn a 7-2 victory over the 14th Mission Support Squadron Tuesday night. The 14th CS is scheduled to play the 14th Operations Support Squadron at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Field No. 1.

Sports Shorts

U.S. Women's Open Pick & British Open

People must pick their professional golfer by 9 a.m. Saturday to participate in this event. Golfers can pick a pro competing in the U.S. Women's Open Saturday and Sunday, and match her score with their's (with handicap). The lowest net score wins. Entry is \$10 plus greens fees.

The next pick tournament is the British Open Pick July 22 and July 23. Participants must pick their pro by 9 a.m. July 22. Entry is \$10 plus greens fees. Call Ext. 7932 for more information.

Thursday Scrambles new time

Whispering Pines Golf Course offers these weekly scrambles at 5:30 p.m., but golfers must register by 4 p.m. to participate. Entry is \$5 per person plus greens fees. All levels of golfers are invited to attend this nine-hole tournament every Thursday. For more information, call Ext. 7932.

Fall soccer and flag football

Parents can register their children for these sports between July 10 and Aug. 18 at the youth center. Cost is \$30 per child. The seasons end Oct. 21. Coaches are always needed. For more information, call the youth center at Ext. 2504.

Swimming Lessons

Ages 3 to 18 can learn to swim during a two week program for the cost of \$40. Classes will are July 19 to July 30 and July 24 to Aug. 4 Mondays through

Thursdays with make-up classes on Fridays. Class is uled for 8 a.m. Aug. 12 at Whispering Pines Golf

Princess Open & Monte Carlo Night

This two-lady, nine-hole scramble begins at 3 p.m. July 14 at Whispering Pines Golf Course. Registration is required by July 12. Entry is \$10 plus greens fees for the tournament. Golf carts are \$6 per person. The lowest team score wins a first place prize. All other teams will be placed in a drawing for second and third places. Prizes will be determined by the number of entries and will be awarded for closest to the pin at hole No. 7, longest drive at No. 2 and longest putt at No. 8.

Dinner and Monte Carlo games will immediately follow the tournament. People can register for all three events for \$30 plus greens fees; the tournament and dinner is \$22.50; or dinner and Monte Carlo festivities is \$25 per person. The Monte Carlo games include \$1,000 in playing chips. For more information, call Ext. 7932.

Par 3 golf tournament

The Whispering Pines golf course offers this tournament at 8 a.m. July 29. The course will be designed more information. so that each hole is a par 3. The lowest net score wins. Entry is \$15 plus greens fees. Registration is required by 3 p.m. July 28. Call Ext. 7932.

Mixed Scramble

Couples are invited to enter this tournament schedinformation or to sign up, call 364-0414.

from 8 to 8:30 a.m. for beginners, 8:30 to 9 a.m. for Course. Entry is \$80 per couple and includes greens intermediate swimmers and 9 to 9:30 a.m. for fees, golf cart, prize fund, beverages and lunch on the advanced swimmers. Call Ext. 7861 for more informapatio. Registration is required by Aug. 12 at the golf pro shop. For more information, call Ext. 7932.

Beginners scuba class

A beginners scuba course is from 5:15 to 9:15 p.m. Aug. 14, Aug. 17, Aug. 21, Aug. 24, Aug. 28 and Aug. 31. Cost is \$300 per person and includes all water and classroom instruction, swim tests, wet suits, local air, pool time and transportation to Blue Water Dive School for final certification dives Sept. 9 and Sept. 10.

Lodging and air for the final two days certification dives is not included. Class is limited to a minimum of four people and a maximum of 12 people. To register visit Outdoor Recreation; or for more information call Ext. 7861 or Ext. 2507.

Fitness incentives

The fitness center program "Get Fit, Get Stuff" allows gym patrons to earn items such as water bottles, towels, T-shirts and gym bags for running, cycling or walking. BLAZE TEAM members can own any of these items by sacrificing a little hard earned sweat. Stop by the fitness center or call Ext. 2772 for

Flag football officials

People interested in officiating the intramural flag football season must attend a certification/re-certification clinic for the upcoming 2006 season. For more